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f. Bureau of the Budget Question to Office of Basic Intelligence:

Are NIS annuals going to be produced? (D-13-5)

A staff study is now before the DD/I setting forth requirements, specifications, and procedures for coordinated interagency production of NIS annuals. Following CIA approval, the proposal will be laid before the NIS Committee for interagency agreement and implementation.

The NIS annual is designed to maintain each NIS Chapter I (Brief) on a yearly basis by reflecting significant changes in the whole basic intelligence picture of each NIS area, but especially in the political, economic, and military fields. The NIS annual on each NIS area will also supersede the corresponding OCI Handbook, thereby effecting economies through the consolidation of separate intelligence publications dealing largely with basic intelligence on foreign countries. While the OCI Handbooks have generally been restricted to CIA use only, the NIS annuals will be used throughout the Intelligence Community and other government agencies as required by their need for basic intelligence support.

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